## Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Commission Regular Meeting November 14, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m. by John Keshick III, Chairman;

Roll Call: John Keshick III, Chairman; Vice-Chairman, Renee Dillard; Treasurer, Frederick Holdorph; Commissioner, Gerald V. Chingwa; and Commissioner, William R. Ortiz.

Absent: None

NRD Staff: Director, Douglas Craven; Great Lakes Biologist, Kevin Donner; Inland Fish and Wildlife Biologist, Max Field; Conservation Officer, Matthew Robertson; Great Lakes Specialist, Caroline Moellering; and Office Coordinator, Debra Smithkey-Browne;

Absent: Chief Conservation Officer, Kevin Willis; Inland Wildlife Biologist, Archie Kiogima Jr.; Inland Fisheries Biologist, William Parsons; Environmental Services Manager, Daugherty Johnson;

Guest: James Bransky, LTBB Tribal Attorney; Shanna Wemigwase, Tribal Councilor;

Open Ceremony - Moment of Silence

Public Comment opened 6:12 p.m. – Thank veterans for their service, past and present;

Public Comment closed at 6:13 p.m.

NRC reviewed the Agenda

Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the agenda as presented; Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; supports.

4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Chingwa) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

NRC reviewed the minutes of October 13, 2018.

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the minutes of October 13, 2018 as presented; William Ortiz, Commissioner; supports. 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Chingwa) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

Natural Resource Department Director's Report - Douglas Craven, Director

6:25 p.m. Shanna Wemigwase arrived;

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Natural Resource Director's Verbal Report as presented by Douglas Craven, Director; supported by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman.

4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Chingwa) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

Inland Fish and Wildlife Managers Report – Maxwell Field, Inland Wildlife and Fish Biologist
Inland Fisheries & Wildlife Program

6:43 p.m. Gerald Chingwa arrived;

Motion made by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman; to approve the Natural Resource Inland Fish and Wildlife Written and Verbal Report as presented by Max Field, Inland Fish and Wildlife Biologist; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the proposed Seasons and bag limits for Migratory Water Fowl Regulations with increasing the Sandhill Crane bag limit of 2 for the 2018/2019; supported by Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

Discussion was held on the restoration of the Arctic Grayling.

Natural Resource Conservation Law Enforcement Report – Matthew Robertson, Conservation Officer

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Natural Resource Conservation Law Enforcement Verbal Report as presented by Matthew Robertson, Conservation Officer; supported by William Ortiz, Commissioner

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the Natural Resource Department to purchase 4 scoops of beets from Gruelers, funds to come from Treaty Rights Enhancement Funds; supported by William Ortiz, Commissioner

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

Natural Resource Great Lakes Fishery Report – Kevin Donner, Great Lakes Fishery Biologist –

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Motion made by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman; to approve the Natural Resource Great Lakes Fishery Written and Verbal Report as presented by Kevin Donner, Great Lakes Fishery Biologist; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

Natural Resource Environmental Services Report – Caroline Moellering, Great Lakes Grant Specialist;

Motion made by; Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Natural Resource Environmental Services Verbal Report as presented by Caroline Moellering, Great Lakes Grant Specialist; supported by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

**Commissioner's Report – Commissioners** 

Motion made by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman; to approve the Natural Resource Commission Verbal Report as presented by Commissioners; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Natural Resource Commissioner attendance for the CORA meeting to be held in Petoskey on December 6, 2018 and receive mileage, stipend, lodging and per diem; supported by William Ortiz, Commissioner.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

Motion made by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman; to approve the Natural Resource Commissioner attendance for the 2020 Tribal meeting to be held in Traverse City, MI on December 10, 2018 and receive mileage, stipend, lodging and per diem; supported by Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant Motion Carried

Break at 7:38 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 7:53 p.m.

Discussion was held on the LTBB Safe Drawing, there are 4 Gun Safes to be given to 4 applicants that submitted an application. Applicants were each assigned a number, the numbers were put in for the drawing and the results are as follows:

- 1) William R. Ortiz
- 2) Brian D. Harmon
- 3) Gerald J. Keller
- 4) Dakota R. Robertson

The LTBB Natural Resource Department will be taking applications for 2019-gun safe drawing with date to be determined.

Discussion was held on the CORA Letter regarding the State of MI; Discussion was held on the Press Release dated 10-22-18 CWD in Upper Peninsula; Discussion was held on the LTBB Reservation and Ceded Territory Rules and Regulations for 2019 Season; Discussion was held on the 2019 Elk and Bear State Seasons: 8:45 p.m. Debra Smithkey-Browne, and Max Field depart meeting. Motion made by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman; to enter into Executive Session at 8:38 p.m.; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer. 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant **Motion Carried** Motion made by Frederick Holdroph, Treasurer; to exit Executive Session and return to open meeting at 10:12 p.m.; supported by William Ortiz, Commissioner. 5 Yes **0** Abstained 0 No 0 Absent 0 Vacant **Motion Carried** Motion made by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman; to approve the Natural Resource Commissioners to conduct a site visit of property for sale by Eason and receive mileage, stipend, and per diem; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer. 0 Abstained 0 Vacant 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent **Motion Carried** Motion made by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman; to refer property adjacent to LTBB Hatchery to executive for potential purchase; supported by William Ortiz, Commissioner. 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant **Motion Carried** Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 p.m.; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer. 0 Vacant 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained **Motion Carried** Next scheduled meeting will be held on December 12, 2018

Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman

Approved:

Date